

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
California Energy Commission

Minutes of the February 2, 2011, Energy Commission Business Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 by Chairman Karen Douglas. The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Chairman Douglas.

Present:

Karen Douglas, Chairman
James D. Boyd, Vice Chair

Jeffrey D. Byron, Commissioner
Robert B. Weisenmiller, Commissioner

1. CONSENT CALENDAR. (Items on the Consent Calendar will be taken up and voted on as a group. A commissioner may request that an item be moved and discussed later in the meeting.)
 - a. SOLARTECH. Possible approval of Amendment 1 to Agreement PIR-07-012 with Solartech, an initiative of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, to modify the work statement and budget to reallocate funds for a demonstration of feasibility and scalability of an advanced plug and play solar photovoltaic technology. Because of technology advancements funded by other sources, the contractor can use PIER funding for a demonstration rather than product development. Contact: Zhiqin Zhang.
 - b. HARPIRIS ENERGY. Possible approval of a no-cost Amendment 1 to Agreement PIR-08-012 with Harpiris Energy to reallocate funds to complete certification and field testing, and prepare the product for market introduction. The results from this project will provide a low cost solar storage tank to the California market. Contact: Brad Meister.
 - c. ASSOCIATION OF STATE ENERGY RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER INSTITUTIONS (ASERTTI). Possible approval of Contract 500-10-031 for \$18,000 for a one-year membership in ASERTTI. Membership would allow Energy Commission participation in collaborative efforts with other states to maximize research efforts. Members build on each state's expertise and experience to contribute to economic growth, environmental quality and energy security. (PIER electricity funding.) Contact: John Hingtgen.
 - d. GAS TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE. Possible approval of Amendment 2 to Contract 500-08-037 with Gas Technology Institute to change the technology demonstration site and remove two key partners that are no longer participating. This is a no-cost amendment that will not affect the scope of work or the project schedule. Contact: Kiel Pratt.
 - e. ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS. Possible approval of Amendment 1 to Contract 400-09-021 with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to reallocate funds among various tasks and add new personnel. The amendment does not increase the total amount of the contract or extend the contract period. Contact: Bill Pennington.

- f. WATEREUSE FOUNDATION. Possible approval of Amendment 1 to Contract 500-07-038 with WateReuse Foundation for a 12-month no-cost time extension to re-run a solicitation to select a qualified bidder. Contact: Paul Roggensack.

Vice Chair Boyd moved and Commissioner Byron seconded approval of the Consent Calendar. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

Commissioner Byron moved and Vice Chair Boyd seconded consideration of the addition of Item 14, Energy Commission Committee Appointment, to the agenda based on a need for immediate action. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

2. ACCUSTAFF. Possible approval of Contract 200-10-005 for \$74,500 with Accustaff to provide temporary support services for the Energy Commission's Federal Economic Recovery Program during periods of peak workload. (ERPA funding.) Contact: Mark Hutchison. (5 minutes)

Vice Chair Boyd moved and Commissioner Byron seconded approval of Contract 200-10-005. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

3. ICF CONSULTING, Inc. Possible approval of Contract 600-10-004 for \$123,099 with ICF Consulting, Inc. for a motor vehicle survey and analysis to provide data for the personal vehicle choice model supporting the Energy Commission's transportation energy demand forecasts. (ERPA funding.) Contact: Laura Lawson. (5 minutes)

Vice Chair Boyd moved and Commissioner Byron seconded approval of Contract 600-10-004. The vote was unanimous (3-0), Commissioner Weisenmiller having departed prior to discussion of Item 3.

4. BR LABORATORIES, INC. Possible approval of Amendment 1 to Contract 400-08-003 with BR Laboratories, Inc. to add \$173,394 and a two-year time extension to continue Appliance Standards Enforcement testing of Title 20-regulated appliances listed in the current contract. (ERPA funding.) Contact: Tovah Ealey. (5 minutes)

Item 4 was moved to the February 23 agenda.

5. BLACK ROCK 1, 2, 3 GEOTHERMAL POWER PLANT PROJECT (02-AFC-2C). Possible approval of the petition to amend the Energy Commission Decision to modify the original Salton Sea Unit 6 Geothermal Power Plant Project, a 215 megawatt (MW) multiple-flash unit, to construct the Black Rock 1, 2, 3 Geothermal Power Plant Project. The Black Rock project will consist of three individual 53 MW single-flash units, for a total of 159 MW of renewable generating capacity. Contact: Dale Rundquist. (10 minutes).

Commissioner Weisenmiller moved and Commissioner Byron seconded approval of the petition. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

6. LOS ESTEROS CRITICAL ENERGY FACILITY PHASE II PROJECT (03-AFC-2C). Possible approval of a petition to amend the Los Esteros Critical Energy Facility Project to use an underground interconnection, add a new breaker and reconductor, and update existing Air Quality Conditions of Certification to lower the emission limits for carbon monoxide and precursor organic compounds. Contact: Christina Snow. (15 minutes)

Vice Chair Boyd moved and Commissioner Weisenmiller seconded approval of the petition. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

7. **Minutes:** Possible approval of the January 12, 2011, Business Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Byron moved and Vice Chair Boyd seconded approval of the January 12 Minutes. The vote was unanimous (3-0), Commissioner Weisenmiller having departed.

8. **Commission Committee Presentations and Discussion:** Vice Chair Boyd reported on behalf of the Transportation Committee.

9. **Chief Counsel's Report:** None.

10. **Executive Director's Report:** None.

11. **Public Adviser's Report:** None.

12. **Public Comment:** Mr. Manuel Alvarez, Southern California Edison

13. **Internal Organization and Policy.** None.

14. **ENERGY COMMISSION COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS.** Possible approval of the appointment of Karen Douglas, Presiding Member and Jeffrey Byron, Associate Member of the Energy Commission's Siting Committees for the Mariposa Energy Project Power Plant Licensing (09-AFC-03) and the City of Palmdale Hybrid Power Plant Project (08-AFC-9). Contact: Galen Lemei. (5 minutes)

Commissioner Byron moved and Vice Chair Boyd seconded approval of the appointments. The vote was unanimous. (4-0)

Appearances:

Mr. Stephen Larsen, CalEnergy

Mr. Gregory Wheatland, Ellison, Schneider & Harris, LLP

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRIET KALLEMEYN
Secretary to the Commission